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August 24, 1927.

Howland Wood, Esq.,
Broadway, between 155th & 156th Sts.
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

We feel sure that you will be glad to know that the Directors of the PENNSYLVANIA WATER & POWER COMPANY, have just declared a dividend of 62 1/2¢ per share of the new no par value stock payable October 1st, to stockholders of record September 16th, thereby increasing the annual rate from $2.00 to $2.50.

In this connection, we find no record of your having exchanged your old shares of $100 par value for the new stock in the ratio of four new for one old.

As we wrote you on June 18th, the Company has set no time on it for this exchange and will pay dividends on the old stock at the increased rate, but inasmuch as the old stock has been stricken from the Stock Exchange list, it is to your advantage to secure the new no par value shares which arelisted.

Unless you desire to have the new certificate in another name than that in which the old certificate stands, no endorsement will be necessary, but should you wish to have the new shares in another name, the endorsement must be guaranteed and the revenue stamps attached.

If we can be of assistance in this matter, it will be our pleasure to serve you.

Very truly yours,

Chase & Co.

LHB/G

August 25, 1927

Chase & Company,
19 Congress Street,
Boston, Mass.

Gentlemen:

In reply to your letter of August 24th, would state that I exchanged the old certificates of the Pennsylvania Water and Power Company for new certificates through the Baltimore transfer agent a month or so ago.

Very truly yours,

HW:MB

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January 7, 1930

(Registered)

Howland Wood, Esq.,
Broadway, between 155th & 156th Sts.
New York City

Dear Sir:-

We are today forwarding you by registered mail the following securities which were the property of your late uncle, Mr. George H. Wood -

25 shs. Wickwire Spencer Steel Company
Certificate of Deposit no. T232 for 25 shs,
Common Stock Trust Certificates,
n/o Elizabeth A. Wood (unendorsed)

20/30ths sh. B. B. & R. Knight Corp. Voting
Trust, Scrip ctf. no. CS798

Kindly acknowledge receipt of the above by signing and returning to us copy of this letter enclosed with the shipment.

Yours very truly,

ECS-W

Chase Co

Returned to Chase & Co
May 1930

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March 26, 1930

Howland Wood, Esq.
Broadway, Between 155th & 156th Sts.
New York City

Dear Sir:-

On January 7th 1930 we mailed you a certificate of deposit for 25 shs. WICKWIRE SPENCER STEEL CORPORATION Common and 20/30ths share B. B. & R. KNIGHT CORPORATION.

We now find that we should not have sent these certificates to you but they should have gone to your mother.

Will you therefore, at your convenience, kindly return them to us.

Very truly yours,

Chase Co.

ECS/T

March 28, 1930

Chase & Company
19 Congress Street
Boston, Mass.

Gentlemen:

As per your letter of March 26th, I am herewith sending you the Wickwire Spencer Steel Certificate, and the B.B. & R. Knight 20/30 ths share certificate, which were to sent to me by error on January 7th.

Very truly yours,

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March 29, 1930

(E)

Howland Wood, Esq.
c/o American Numismatic Society
Broadway, between 155th & 156th Sts.
New York City

Dear Sir:-

We acknowledge receipt of your registered favor of March 28th returning to us Scrip Ctf. No. CS798 for

20/30ths shs. B. B. & R. Knight Corp.
"C" Common Voting Trust

and Certificate of Deposit No. T232 for

25 shs. Wickwire Spencer Steel Corp.
Common Stock Trust Ctfs.
n/o Elizabeth A. Wood

which we sent you in error on February 7th.

Thanking you, we are

Very truly yours,

Chase Co

ECS/T

Bryan 5302 Block Stair Front

Mrs Pettit.

2" joists 16" o.c. except at landing

where doubled

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December 18, 1930

Howland W. Wood, Esquire,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway & 156th St.
New York City

Dear Howard:-

In clearing out some of my effects the other day I ran across a box containing quite a few ships coins. You may remember I made a collection of these some years ago.

I dislike very much to bother you in the matter, but I am wondering if you would be willing for me to send them to you and ask you to sell them for me. You know the dealers in New York and I have been long since out of touch with them.

No one seems to be interested in them in my family and if it is possible to dispose of them, I would consider it a great favor.

It has been a long time since I have seen you. I do hope that when you are over here you will drop in to the office. I get to New York very infrequently. Have not been there but once in almost a year and then I stayed only a few hours.

With kindest regards and wishing you the Compliments of the Season, I am

Sincerely yours,

JBC-N

Dec. 19,1930

J. B. Chase, Esq.
Chase & Compa ny
19 Congress Street
Boston, Mass.

Dear Joe:

Send on your ship coins and possible I can get rid of them for you. If you do this let me know approximately what you would want for them. Elder is the only person in New York now conducting sales, and I have nothing to do with him, nor have I had for two years. I would either send the coins to Hesslein in Boston, or to Bolender in Illinois. As Hesslein would be my first choice, why don't you drop in to see him and find out if he would like to put them on sale. He is in the Paddock Building.

I have not been to Boston much in the past year, chiefly on account of the stress of business here, and the two times I have been there have been over Sunday. However, I have been meaning to drop in and see you whenever I get a chance.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

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January 6, 1932

Howland Wood, Esquire,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway at 156th Street,
New York City

Dear Howland:-

I am taking the great liberty of sending to you by express a small box of various and sundry coins and medals. You will, no doubt, recognize practically all of them.

I would consider it a great favor if you would look them over and it is possible you might be able to dispose of them to some one for me. I realize, however, that conditions are hard for disposing of anything, but New York of course offers a better field than Boston.

Any figure which you might get for any, or all, of these pieces will be perfectly acceptable to me. I leave it absolutely in your hands and I furthermore insist on paying you a 20% fee for what you may dispose of.

Please do not worry yourself with them. Perhaps some dealer might drop up your way and would be interested. If so, as I said before, whatever trade you thought was fair would be absolutely satisfactory to me.

We have gone through pretty tough times the last two years, but I feel that some time during this year things will be brighter.

I hope you and your family are well and with kindest regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

JBC-N

January 8, 1932.

Mr. J. B. Chase
19 Congress Street
Boston, Mass.

Dear Joe:

Your letter and the box at hand and I will see what I can do for you. I will first try to sell the collection as a whole. I have several institutions and collectors in mind. I will stick my assistant on looking them over and putting the value on them and possibly get them into a little better shape, before offering them. If I can't sell them as a whole, I will see what I can do in disposing of them piecemeal. If so, we will take some of them here.

Up to date I have got full pay and do not see anything to worry over on that score. Some of my income has turned sour. My debts are a little larger than I would like to see and two up-to-date daughters, one running a car and the other a horse, keeps me submerged.

Very sincerely,

HM:JG

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January 11, 1932.

Howland Wood, Esq.,
Broadway, between 155th & 156th Sts.
New York City.

Dear Howland:-

Thank you for your letter of January 8th, and I am glad that the box arrived safely. I was afraid that the Express Company would not take it, fearing that it might be an "infernal machine".

It is mighty good of you to take an interest in this little matter of mine, and I appreciate it very, very much, but please do not put yourself out, too much, the matter is really too small for you to bother much with.

I am glad to know that your family is all well, it certainly is surprising how children grow up, now a days. They have so much more than we used to have, when we were their age.

I hope that you will look in on me if you have a moment when you happen to be over in Boston.

I very seldom go over to New York. I have not been over for over a year, I think.

Sincerely yours,

JBC-G

Upon hand this me of
these I hand you

April 20, 1932.

Mr. J. B. Chase
19 Congress Street
Boston, Mass.

Dear Joe:

I have tried in some sort of a way to sell the ship coins and medals to some private person or museum but have not succeeded in interesting anybody. I really did not think I would. I would like to make this suggestion. Bolender of Orangeville, Illinois has been holding many sales the past few years and seems to be getting pretty fair prices. If it meets with your concurrence I would send these out to him to sell at auction. In the meantime I have picked out a small number of pieces we would take ourselves and we would pay you at the same rate similar pieces would sell for in the sale. If this is agreeable to you I will go ahead and list the more important pieces and send the lot out to Bolender.

I suppose you know that Hesslein cleared out of town in January leaving various creditors holding the bag. He has not been seen or heard of since.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

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April 21, 1932

Howland Wood, Esquire,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway at 155th St.
New York City

Dear Howland:-

I have your letter of April 20th and it is very kind of you to suggest shipping these coins to Bolender of Orangeville, Illinois for sale and auction. This is entirely agreeable to me, also your other suggestion about keeping a few pieces for the museum.

I am afraid I put you to a great deal of trouble about this small matter and I hope that if there is anything in the lot that you personally would like, I wish that you would stick them in your pocket as a slight "token of my esteem".

I did not hear about Hesslein skipping out of town, but I guess there will be more before there are less if conditions do not hurriedly improve.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,

J.B.Chase

JBC-N

July 23, 1932.

Mr. J. B. Chase
% Chase and Company
19 Congress Street
Boston, Mass.

Dear Joe:

Under separate cover I am sending you Bolender's Catalogue which includes most of your collection of ship medals. You will find these on pages 44 to 48. I have no idea what they willbbring. Bolender has been getting fairly good prices of late, though medals sold in Elder's last sale about a month ago were a flop.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

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July 25, 1932.

Howland Wood, Esq.,
Broadway, between 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York City.

Dear Howland:-

Thank you for your letter of July 23rd, and I am awaiting with interest the catalogue of "Bolender".

I want to thank you very much for the interest you have already taken in my behalf and whatever we get from the medals will be satisfactory, I am sure, to me.

With kindest regards, I am,

Yours very truly,

JBC-G